

**DELAWARE AGRICULTURAL LANDS  
PRESERVATION FOUNDATION**

Agenda is subject to change

Foundation Meeting Date: May 16, 2018, 8:30 a.m.

Delaware Department of Agriculture, Conference Rooms One & Two

2320 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901

Phone: 302-698-4530 or 1-800-282-8685

- I. Preservation Districts
  - A. Current Situation Report – Scott Blaier
  - B. Young Farmers Report – Austin Short
  - C. Monitoring Report – Milton Melendez
  - D. Expansion Eligibility & Final Approval
    - 1. Ramey Expansion of the Kenneth W. Wilson - Clearbrook Farm District (S-18-02-076F)
    - 2. Homestead Expansion of the Collins District (S-17-12-021J)
- II. Secretary of Agriculture's Veto
- III. Opportunity for Public Comments
- IV. Minutes
- V. Financial Highlights
- VI. Executive Session - Pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (2), (4) and (6) the Board will go into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving legal advice and to discuss and review confidential appraisal and donation matters. The Board will not vote on any matter in Executive Session.
- VII. Round 22 Easement Selections
- VIII. Adjournment

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **The Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation**

The Foundation will meet on May 16, 2018 at 8:30 A.M. at the Delaware Department of Agriculture, 2320 S. DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware. The purpose of the meeting is to review, and to the extent necessary, vote on applications and approval requests before the Foundation, and conduct other Foundation business. The Foundation, in addition to reviewing applications for the establishment of agricultural preservation districts, shall also review the following applications for agricultural preservation districts and expansions of existing agricultural preservation districts: Ramey Expansion of the Kenneth W. Wilson – Clearbrook Farm District, Federalsburg Rd & Progress School Rd, Bridgeville, Sussex County, S-18-02-076F; Homestead Expansion of the Collins District, Old Hickory Rd & Susan Beach Rd, Laurel, Sussex County, S-17-12-021J. Additionally, the Foundation Board will announce the Round 22 Easement Selections.

The Foundation has authority to grant expansion requests, subject to a right of rejection of the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and appeal of the decision to the Superior Court. The approval of an expansion to an existing agricultural preservation district confers the same rights and privileges to the expansion properties which are enjoyed by the existing agricultural preservation districts. Also, inclusion of an expansion to a district has impacts on landowners and land uses adjacent to the expanded district as set forth in 3 Del. C. §910.

The public is invited to provide comments prior to the May 16, 2018 meeting. Information concerning the applications for expansion of the agricultural preservation districts and the requests for approval of the above easements is available upon request from the Foundation by contacting Rebecca Vaughn, 1-800-282-8685, or 302-698-4531. The applications and easement approval requests are also available for public inspection.

The public, including adjacent landowners, are also invited to attend this meeting and provide comments regarding the applications for expansion and easement approval requests prior to the time that the Foundation takes formal action on the applications.

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Accommodations are available for individuals with disabilities. Persons with disabilities are encouraged to call Debbie Carey (302-698-4500) or toll free (1-800-282-8685) to request an auxiliary aid or service.